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Title: TOPICAL PRODUCT FORMULATIONS CONTAINING STRONTIUM FOR
REDUCING SKIN IRRITATION

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed May 27, 2003, please enter the following remarks. It is believed that no additional fee is due in conjunction with this Response. However, if any fee should become payable, or credit due, please charge or credit the same to Deposit Account No. 50-2785.

Miscellaneous

Please change the Attorney Docket No. for the subject matter to: Sensory 0003.CON3.

Information Disclosure Statements

An updated Information Disclosure Statement is being filed herewith.
Consideration and return of an initialed copy of the five pages of Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B submitted therewith is requested.

Applicants also note that an initialed copy of the eight pages of Form PTO-1449 submitted with an Information Disclosure Statement on February 26, 2003, has not yet been returned. Consideration and return of an initialed copy of the same is also requested.

Priority Claim

Set forth on page 2 of the Office Action is an acknowledgement that the subject application is afforded a priority date of 6/20/96 (application number 08/666,978). Applicants request confirmation that the earliest priority date afforded the subject application is that of earlier application number 08/362,100, which was filed on December 21, 1994. Application number 08/666,978 was filed as a continuation-in-part of application number 08/362,100, as noted in Applicants' amendment to page 1 of the present specification (*See* Preliminary Amendment filed 11/21/01). Application number 08/362,100 is also included in the domestic priority data listing on the Filing Receipts received by Applicants for this matter.

Claim Amendments

In order to remove unnecessary claim language, claim 1 is currently amended herewith. Further, withdrawn claim 31 is currently amended to correct a typographical error. These amendments are supported by the originally filed application. Entry thereof is respectfully requested.